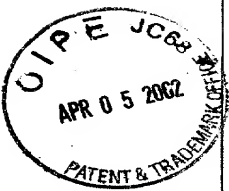


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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated September 28, 2001, having a term that expired on November 28, 2001. A Petition for a 4-month Extension of Time up to and including March 28, 2002 is enclosed. Accordingly, please find enclosed the following:

1. An executed Declaration for the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application;
2. An executed Assignment and related Recordation Form Cover Sheet for the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application; and
3. A check in the amount of \$1,610.00 (\$130.00 representing the Missing Parts surcharge fee for a large entity, \$40.00 representing the Assignment recordation fee, and \$1,440.00 representing the extension of time fee).

A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts is being filed simultaneously.

Although a check is being submitted herewith, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayments in connection with the filing of this Response to Deposit Account No. **50-0426**.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
 - Drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, and copy marks.

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